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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Takashi SHIRAKAWA et al.
Title: EXHAUST GAS PURIFYING
APPARATUS AND METHOD
FOR INTERNAL
COMBUSTION ENGINE
Appl. No.: 10/780,774
Filing Date: 2/19/2004
Examiner: Tu Minh NGUYEN
Art Unit: 3748
Confirmation Number: 2066

TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Reply and Request for Reconsideration in the above-identified application.

☐ Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a previous assertion of Small Entity status.

☐ Assertion of Small Entity status is enclosed.

☒ The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims As Amended		Previously Paid For		Extra Claims Present		Rate		Additional Claims Fee
Total Claims:	20	-	21	=	0	x	\$50.00	=	\$0.00
Independent Claims:	5	-	5	=	0	x	\$210.00	=	\$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:							+	\$370.00	= \$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL									= \$0.00

☐ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

<input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$120.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$460.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$1,050.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,640.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,230.00	\$0.00
EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Disclaimer Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d):	\$130.00	\$0.00
CLAIMS, EXTENSION AND DISCLAIMER FEE TOTAL:		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$0.00
Extension Fees Previously Paid:		\$0.00
TOTAL FEE:		\$0.00

If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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Respectfully submitted,

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REPLY AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated September 5, 2007, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

A petition for extension of time is submitted herewith, making this response timely.

A listing of claims begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this document.